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In re Patent Application of

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ELECTROLUMINESCENT

DISPLAY DEVICE

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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 6, 2002 please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

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However, an organic EL layer which serves as the basic portion of the organic EL display device is very liable to oxidize, and it easily deteriorates in the presence of a slight amount of oxygen. Besides, it has a low resistance to heat, and this also is a factor promoting oxidation. The liability to oxidize is the cause of a short lifetime of the organic EL element, and has formed a serious obstacle in putting this element into practical use.